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JOINT STATE/AID/PEACE CORPS MESSAGE

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SUBJ: POSSIBLE JOINT AID/PC PROGRAMMING

AF/C FOR COHEN AND SIEFKEN

AID FOR DANIELLS

PC FOR GRIFFIS

REF: BIGELOW REPORT

1. DESPITE WHAT APPEARS TO BE HIGH GOR INTEREST IN PEACE CORPS ACTIVITIES IN RWANDA, CURRENT PC MISSION FINDS IMPASSE IN NEGOTIATIONS DUE (A) UNWILLINGNESS/ INABILITY GOR PROVIDE CUSTOMARY HOST COUNTRY CONTRIBUTION, (B) LONG-STANDING TRADITION IN RWANDA WHEREBY ALL AID DONORS COMBINE THEIR MANPOWER INPUTS WITH FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO PROGRAMS.

2. IN VIEW BIGELOW REPORT'S EMPHASIS ON NEED TO SAVE PARKS IF RWANDAN GOVERNMENT WISHES PROMOTE TOURISM AND GOR'S STATEMENTS TO EMBASSY AND STAGLIANO THAT IT HOPES US CAN TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEVELOPING VOLCANOES PARK, WE RECOMMEND OUR INITIAL EFFORTS BE CONCENTRATED ON VOLCANOES PARK. PROJECT

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WOULD INVOLVE AS YET INDETERMINATE NUMBER PC VOLUNTEERS

IN RANGE MANAGEMENT/ECOLOGY, COUPLED WITH
ARCHITECTS/ENGINEERS TO ASSIST BASIC DEVELOPMENT
INFRASTRUCTURE MAINLY CONSTRUCTION OFFICE, GUARD
HOUSES, DELINEATION PERIMETER. AS WE ENVISAGE IT,
GOR WOULD PROVIDE COUNTERPARTS TO PCV'S AND FORCE OF 40
LABORERS. PC/DEVELOPED LOW COST HOUSING DESIGNS WOULD
BE USED FOR CONSTRUCTION ALL BUILDINGS. FINANCAL
ASSISTANCE NOT TO EXCEED \$25 THOUSAND IN FIRST YEAR
WOULD COME FROM AID FOR MATERIALS PURCHASE, BASIC OFFICE
SUPPLIES, LOGISTICS, TRANSPORT, SUBVENTION
HOUSING NEEDS PCVS.

3. GIVEN VARIOUS ALTERNATIVES IDENTIFIED IN
BIGELOW REPORT, BELIEVE WE SHOULD KEEP OPTIONS OPEN FOR
MOMENT ON HOW TO PUSUE LONGER-TERM TOURISM DEVELOPMENT
EFFORTS. EMBASSY CONTINUES, HOWEVER, TO STRESS POLITICAL
IMPORTANCE OF INFORMING GOR AT EARLY DATE OF OVERALL
DIMENSIONS CONTEMPLATED US AID TO TOURISM. ONE
POSSIBILITY, IN VIEW SUCCESS SMALL BUSINESS ADVISORY
PROGRAM GHANA, COULD BE PC PARTICIPATION IN BIGELOW-
IDENTIFIED PROJECT OF ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT AND
TRAINING. THIS
AND/OR OTHER ALTERNATIVES IDENTIFIED
BY BIGELOW SHOULD FOLLOW INITIAL EFFORT IN VOLCANOES
PARK. THERE IS URGENT NEED TO DEMONSTRATE STRONG
US INTEREST IN RWANDAN TOURISM WITH HIGHLY VISIBLE/
IMMEDIATE IMPACT ASSISTANCE.

4. EMBASSY AND PQC REP STAGLIANO AGREE THAT JOINT
PC/AID VENTURE PROBABLY MORE MEANINGFUL IN RWANDA
CONTEXT THAN SEPARATE UNCOORDINATED ASSISTANCE
ESPECIALLY IN VIEW INTERNATIONAL DONOR CONSENSUS
RWANDA INABILITY ABSORB FINANCIAL AID BEYOND PRESENT
LEVEL DUE LACK TRAINED MANPOWER. WOULD APPRECIATE
YOUR REACTION TO PROPOSAL PARA 2 BY NOVEMBER 10 SO
AS TO PERMIT STAGLIANO HOLD MEANINGFUL DISCUSSIONS
WITH GOR (STAGLIANO SCHEDULED DEPART MENOVEMBER 16.)
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